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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the examiner dated January 9, 2004 rejecting the following claims: 1, 3-17, 26 and 27.

Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27. A statement of small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 has already been filed in this application.

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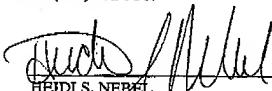
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A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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